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Hongkong, February 2, 1915. 127

## DAVIDSON, OF THE GUNNERS.

Bravery of an Artillery Officer.

"I wonder if the people in England  
have heard yet of Davidson, of the Gun-  
ners," says the Rev. Owen S. Watkins,  
one of the Chaplains at the front; "per-  
haps not, for I do not know who would  
tell his tale, certainly not himself, so  
I will try, though I know beforehand  
that I cannot do it justice."

Davidson, of the 11th  
Battery Royal Field Artillery, had just  
been sent in wounded in one of the un-  
usually severe attacks on the front. He  
had been found in a position which was  
certainly German, and which was not  
easily accessible. The country was so  
badly shelled that there was no possible  
point of approach from which the  
Germans could "observe," except the  
shell-hole in which he lay. Davidson  
was a brave man, and he was not  
wounded in the head, as was often the  
case with the men who were found in  
such positions. He was wounded in the  
arm, and he was able to crawl out of  
the shell-hole, and he was able to crawl  
back to the front line. He was found  
by the Germans, and he was taken to  
the rear. He was found by the Germans,  
and he was taken to the rear. He was  
found by the Germans, and he was taken  
to the rear. He was found by the Ger-  
mans, and he was taken to the rear.

"It was the duty of Davidson to  
"observe," so he calmly went to the  
church, climbed the already tottering  
tower, and, seated on the top, proceeded  
to telephone his information to the bat-  
tery. In consequence, German battery  
after German battery was silenced, the  
infantry, which at one time was in danger  
of extermination, was saved, and the  
position, in spite of an attack in over-  
whelming force by the enemy, was suc-  
cessfully held. The church was reduced  
to a scrap-heap, but still Davidson sat  
tight on the remnants of its tower. For  
seven solid hours, expecting death every  
moment, he calmly scanned the country  
and telephoned his reports.

"At dark his task was done, and he  
came down to rejoin his battery. As he  
left the ruins a fall of timber in one of  
the burning houses lit up everything with  
a sudden glare, there was the crack of  
a rifle—the German trenches were only  
a few hundred yards away—and a bullet  
passed through the back of his neck and  
out through the mouth. But, with-  
out hurrying his pace, he walked to his  
battery, gave them his final information,  
and then, 'I think I'd better go and find  
the field ambulance, for the beggars have  
drilled a hole in me that needs plugging.'  
And he walked half a mile to the nearest  
'collecting point.'"

"In the infantry of the 14th Brigade  
men can talk of nobody else but 'David-  
son, of the gunners.' They themselves  
face death every hour of the day and  
night, they themselves do unrecorded  
deeds of heroism worthy of the V.C.,  
but with one voice they declare, 'David-  
son is the real thing. If he doesn't get  
the V.C.—well, nobody deserves it.'"

"I sat and looked at the ruins, and  
wondered what the thoughts and feelings  
of that young man had been as he sat  
alone on the shaky tower seven hours  
waiting for death."

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
will be held in the Office of Messrs.  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, on TUESDAY,  
the 9th February, 1915 at 11.30 a.m. for  
the purpose of receiving the Report of the  
General Managers together with a State-  
ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1914.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 2nd  
February to 9th February, 1915 both days  
inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

General Managers.

Hongkong, Jan. 29, 1915. 86

### HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO

STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY FIFTH ORDINARY  
YEARLY MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the Company will be held  
at the Office of the Company, Hotel Man-  
sions, on TUESDAY, the 9th February,  
1915, 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of  
receiving a Report of the Directors, to-  
gether with a Statement of Accounts,  
declaring a Dividend and electing Directors  
and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the  
Company will be CLOSED from the 25th  
January to the 9th February, 1915, both  
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. E. CLARKE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 19, 1915. 48

### THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT  
THE TWENTY SIXTH ORDINARY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this  
Company will be held at the Company's  
Office, Victoria Buildings on WEDNES-  
DAY the 10th February, 1915 at NOON  
for the purpose of receiving the Report of  
the Directors together with statement of  
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-  
ber, 1914.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the  
COMPANY will be CLOSED from WED-  
NESDAY 3rd to WEDNESDAY, 10th  
February, 1915 (both days inclusive) during  
which period no Transfer of Shares can be  
registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary to the

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT

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Agents for

The KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING

Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1915. 81

### PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

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8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.  
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.  
11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.  
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

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p.m. every half hour  
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10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.  
11.30 a.m. to 12 Noon. Every 15 minutes.  
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1.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.  
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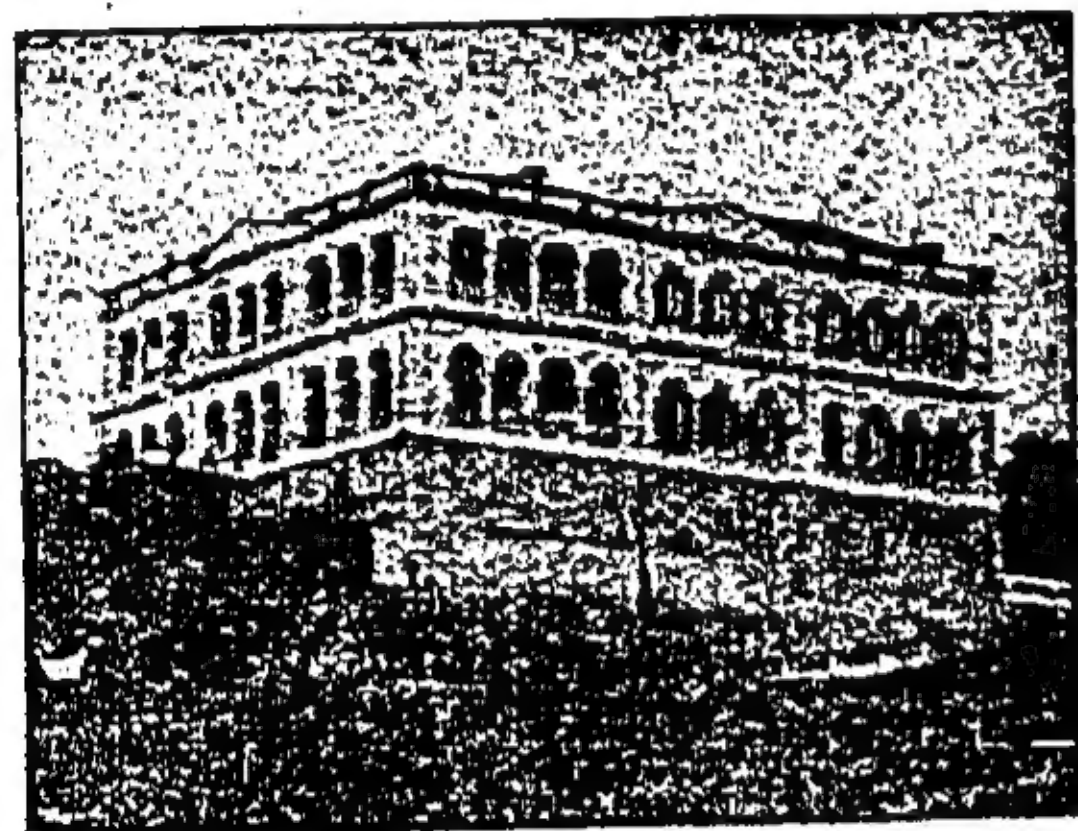
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THE CREDITORS of the above Com-  
pany whose CLAIMS have not been  
dealt with by the Liquidators are required  
to send in the Particulars thereof to the  
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February, 1915.The Liquidators disclaim all responsi-  
bility for Claims not notified to them  
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HOW LONG WILL THE  
WAR LAST?

## THE PART OF THE ALLIES.

The Military Correspondent of The  
Times, writing on this subject on Dec.  
18, stated:—All of us are probably asked a dozen  
times a day how long the war will last,  
and all of us give the best answer we  
can, endeavoring to preserve an appear-  
ance of solemnity, but knowing perfectly  
well that our hearts are not in the matter.  
This subject is not worth a tap.This war is the biggest thing in the  
way of war that has ever happened to  
the old world since the dawn of history.  
It transcends all limits of thought, im-  
agination, and reason. We little creeping  
creatures cannot see more than a fraction  
of it. Even if we climb painfully to the  
top of the highest ladder of thought we  
are still pygmies, and the war still towers  
high above us. We see the raging sum-  
mits at our feet, but the high summits  
are veiled in impenetrable mist. Try as  
we may to preserve a distinct and unbro-  
ken view of the scene before us, the  
clouds of suspicion, prejudice, ignorance,  
and optimism constantly obscure our  
vision. We look, gasp, wonder, and are  
dumb. We do not know. Nobody knows.  
This war, for once, is bigger than any-  
body. No one dominates it. No one  
even understands it. Nobody can.How long will the war last? When  
the war began it was South Africa over-  
again and the pundits all held that it  
could not last beyond Christmas. Now  
April is the fashionable date, and a pained  
expression comes over the face of the  
pundit if one asks him to return on the  
first of April on Bismarck's birthday.With a nice fresh new estimate. The  
forces at work—forces moral, material,  
religious, fanatic—defy analysis and  
investigation. The scene is too big, the  
forces at work too many, their influence  
too imponderable. Some half-mad  
mystic, some Mullah who has had a  
dream, may transform the character of  
the war in a night, and we all have our  
mystics and our Mullahs. How long,  
then, will the war last?

## PLAIN SPEAKING NEEDED.

What is far more important and to the  
point is to discuss what we can do to  
hasten the conclusion of plain speaking,  
which frightens our inventors. For  
Hewitt's sake don't talk of a long war!  
Remember that you may prevent Italy,  
Rumania, or Portugal from taking a hand  
in it! Allow people to think that the  
war will be over soon, and lead them  
on from stage to stage, dangling constantly  
before each man the speedy conclusion  
of the war, like a carrot before an ass,  
to make him move.All this is part of the grandiose  
system of dealing with free peoples, born  
of a totally false and dangerous view of  
the situation. We Allies are men and  
not infants. We respect it when leaders  
are scattered and casualties piled out in  
homeopathic doses, so that no man may be  
good children and swallow our pill be-  
cause it is a little one. Our people are  
much greater than our temporary rulers—  
careless, with their deceptions, their  
carelessness, and their half-truths. Magna  
est veritas et prevalebit. Let us talk of  
truth.We, the Allies, England, France, and  
Russia, have all committed faults, partly  
in the preparation for war, partly in its  
conduct, and unless these faults, so far  
as in us lies, are redressed, the war may  
become interminable in the journalistic  
sense. The war can only end with the  
final victory of the Allies, because, even  
if we leave aside India, the Dominions,  
and Japan, 250 millions of people, other  
things being equal, must beat 115 mil-  
lions and there is no help for it. But  
unless we can hasten events, the sacri-  
fices which the war may entail may coun-  
terbalance all the compensations, which  
we can exact from the exhausted van-  
quished, and may not leave us in a  
position to profit by victory. Energetic  
organization in all its various forms and  
the prevention of the war with the  
utmost violence are plainly our chiefnow, and to this interest all else must  
be subordinated.

## ENGLAND AND THE WAR.

Our faults, our English faults, have  
been mainly in the preparation, and only  
partly in the conduct of the war. It has  
taken us many months, and will take us  
many months more, to catch up with  
the defects of our preparation, both on  
land and sea. These things must be  
the subject of investigation and report  
when the war ends, and if some people  
get their deserts they will be hanged.  
But it is no good crying over spilled  
milk, and all that interests us for the  
moment is whether the Government, the  
Admiralty, and the War Office are doing  
their best to amend the errors of the  
past and to conduct the war with the  
utmost violence.On the whole they have done well.  
Money and effort have not been spared.  
The Prime Minister stated at the Man-  
sion House the conditions under which  
alone we should sheathe the sword.  
These were, that Belgium should be  
amply compensated for her losses, that  
France should be secured against aggres-  
sion, that the rights of the smaller Eu-  
ropean nations should be placed upon an  
unassailable foundation, and that the  
military domination of Prussia should be  
wholly and finally destroyed. These are  
objects very desirable to pursue, but let  
us admit that their attainment may well  
require a long term of years.Almost all our faults on the side of  
the War Office have been faults of pre-  
paration. They have been "know-no-  
things." The activity of Lord Kitchener  
has been prodigious, and the country has  
risen to him, but he is no magician, and  
the only troops which we have been able  
to use yet are those of the Army as it  
existed before the war. It will still take  
months before the new armies can be  
engaged, and not until well on into next  
year will the country be in a position  
to grind out steadily constant supplies  
of trained men, armed and equipped for  
the field. We need all the men that we  
can get; but, viewing numbers, arma-  
ment, and equipment as a whole, we  
cannot make use of fresh masses of re-  
cruits before February next. In this  
greatest of wars, and four months after  
its outbreak, we find ourselves with five  
hundred men at the front, and until we  
can alter this proportion, and have five  
hundred men at the front for every three in these  
islands, we cannot prosecute the war as  
vigorously as we should. We have given  
France five Army Corps, instead of five  
divisions, but circumstances compel us  
to do much more. Our Allies can make  
no complaint of us, for we are turning  
out troops as fast as our factories can  
clothe and arm them, and there is no  
material possibility of going faster than  
we are going now. If we have one com-  
plaint to make of the conduct of the war  
it is of certain African campaigns. The  
conduct of the campaign in East Africa  
in particular has been inefficient, and  
it is a disappointment that the war  
against German African colonies has not  
been better thought out and more rapidly  
conducted.While the organization, enthusiasm,  
and conduct of the French Field Armies  
have been splendid, it is a disappoint-  
ment that the Germans still retain a  
foothold on French soil. If we search  
about for the cause of the failure to  
cleanse French soil of the invader we  
can only find it in the particular number  
of troops which France has so far placed  
in the field. No one here knows the  
exact figures, but it is supposed that  
France has never had in the fighting  
line an army commensurate with the  
number of trained men which she was  
known to possess. French policy has  
been to maintain the normal war  
strengths of her troops, but not to  
create new units, small or large. As a  
result, and as a necessary result, the  
Allies are not yet able to thrust the  
German armies out of France and to pro-secute vigorously offensive war. These  
remarks are not made in any spirit of  
criticism, and it may prove to be true  
that France is husbanding her resources  
of personnel until boots, clothing, equip-  
ment, and artillery enable her to add  
to the number of her Army Corps at the  
front.

## RUSSIAN COMMUNICATIONS.

The failure of Russia to clear Poland  
of the Germans is not due to want of  
numbers or fighting prowess, but solely,  
or at all events mainly, to bad communi-  
cations. If this defect has been made  
manifest in Poland itself, how much  
more manifest will it not be when Rus-  
sian Armies are once more upon the  
borders of Silesia and exposed to the full  
effects of the German railway system?  
Twice Russian armies have been driven  
back, and twice with heavy loss, almost  
entirely because Germany's railways allow  
her to mass troops unexpectedly at a  
decisive point. Is there no remedy?  
The only visible remedy is the immediate  
improvement of existing lines, and espe-  
cially the construction of transverse lines  
in Poland, to enable Russian troops and  
supplies to be quickly transferred from  
one side to another. The extraordinary  
intelligence and fertility of resources which  
Russia displayed in 1904-05 upon the  
trans-Siberian lead us to believe that she  
is perfectly capable of having contractors  
lines at the rate of 10 to 12 miles a day  
in all parts of Poland west of the middle  
Vistula where they are so badly needed.  
Delay is dangerous, and until the Rus-  
sian armies are more advantageously  
situated with regard to railway communi-  
cations they will continue to get under  
great and grievous disadvantages.

## THE DUTY OF THE ALLIES.

If the unprepared condition of the  
entente Powers for offensive war com-  
pletely demolishes the mendacious thesis  
of the German Chancellor, it is also true  
that we Allies, one and all of us, have  
to do more than we have done yet and  
to do it better. We must all work at  
full pressure without any foolish hanker-  
ing after peace until the aims which we  
have set before us are completely attain-  
ed. The measure of the time which the  
war will last is the measure of the energy  
which we display in shortening it.

## DEATH OF SIR JOHN BARKER.

Founder of the Kensington Stores.

The death is recorded of Sir John  
Barker, Bt., founder of the great stores  
in Kensington which bear his name, the  
sad event occurring at The Grange,  
Bishop's Stortford, on the 16th Dec.Sir John Barker was born in 1840.  
He was apprenticed at the age of 13 to  
a draper in Maidstone, and subsequently  
worked as a junior assistant at Polky-  
tone and Dover. Having completed his  
apprenticeship he went to London, and  
after brief period of service with two  
other employers in Westbourne-grove, en-  
gaged himself to the late Mr. Whiteley,  
who was then carrying on business in a  
small way. From this time Mr. White-  
ley's business made rapid headway, Mr.  
Barker being the owner's right-hand  
man. In a few years the assistant was  
made manager at a salary of £300 a  
year. He soon wanted a further increase,  
and Mr. Whiteley agreed to double his  
salary if he doubled the business in the  
next year. The business was doubled  
and so was the manager's salary. Mr.  
Whiteley's business continued to expand,  
and Mr. Barker asked to be taken into  
partnership. Mr. Whiteley offered to  
increase his salary to £1,000 a year, but  
could not see his way to making him a  
partner, whereupon Mr. Barker left him  
and entered into partnership with Mr.  
(afterwards Sir James) Whitehead. A  
business was opened in a couple of shops  
in High-street, Kensington, and Mr.  
Whitehead found the necessary capital.The business of John Barker and Co.  
developed even more rapidly than Mr.  
Whiteley's had done, and shop after shop  
was taken in. Mr. Barker bought out  
his partner, and not long after decided to  
transfer his business to a limited liability  
company, of which he was to be chair-  
man, the capital being fixed at £250,000.  
There have since been various extensions  
of the business of John Barker and Co.  
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of Paquin (Limited).In 1899 Mr. Barker stood as a candidate  
for Parliament in the Liberal interest at  
a by-election at Maidstone, but was un-  
successful. He was again defeated at a  
by-election in 1903, and although he was  
returned at the General Election of 1906  
he was unseated on petition. In 1906  
he was elected for Peckham and Falmouth,  
but lost his seat at the January election  
in 1910. He was made a baronet in  
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## THE DIARY.

### MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

9 p.m.—The "Grottoesque" at the Theatre Royal.

### MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

11 a.m.—Auction of Dress Materials, Hosiery, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.  
7.30 p.m.—A Chinese Play, in Aid of Prince of Wales Fund, by Queen's College A.D.C. in the College Hall.

### General Memoranda

Friday, Feb. 5 & Saturday, Feb. 6—7.30 p.m.—A Chinese Play, in Aid of Prince of Wales Fund, by Queen's College A.D.C. in the College Hall.

Sunday, February 7—Bellona School Prize Distribution.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Black-woodware, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

Sunday, February 7—Field Day for Volunteers and Reserve.

Monday, February 8—5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral.

Tuesday, February 9—11.30 a.m.—Union "Waterboat" Co's Meeting.  
Noon—H.K. C. & M. Steamboat Co's Meeting.

Wednesday, February 10—Noon—Kowloon Land and Building Co's Meeting.

Saturday, February 13—5 p.m.—Kowloon Cricket Club's Annual Dinner.

Sunday, February 14—St. Valentine's Day.  
Chinese New Year Day.  
Bazaar close for the Bazaar.  
2 p.m.—Reserve v. Scouts on H.B. Cricket Club ground.

Monday, February 15—Chinese New Year Holiday.

Wednesday, February 17—Ash Wednesday.

Mon., 28, Tues., 29 & Wed., Feb. 24—Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

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## The China Mail

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 3, 1915.

## ATTITUDE OF ITALY AND ROMANIA.

NOTWITHSTANDING that Italy has on many occasions since the war began declared her intention of remaining neutral and that Rumania has recently mobilised there is still much speculation regarding the probable attitude likely to be adopted by those countries in the near future. Amid popular clamour for war and the conflicting editorial admonitions of the German and French press, Italy and Rumania, we learn, do not find the business of being neutral an idle occupation. Now is the time to strike at Austria in co-operation with the Allies, urges the Italian populace, in order to "redeem" the provinces of Trentino and Trieste. As for Rumania, which has at stake the recovery of Transylvania, we read in the Paris *Journal* of "an imposing mass-meeting" at Bucharest at which 10,000 persons, presided over by the rector and faculty of the university, "warmly exhorted the Government to declare itself against Germany and Austria." Meanwhile the Italian and Rumanian Governments stick to their policy of neutrality, which, in the German view, especially as regards Italy, will prove the most profitable in the end. The Italian Ambassador at Washington, Macchi di Cellere, according to press dispatches, says that Italy will not take up arms unless "forced to do so by some overt act which threatens her own safety." And the Italian Government organ, the *Tribuna*, calls attention to the fact that "this is not a war of governments, but of nations of race." It may last "for a year or years," and "therefore Italian neutrality is a transitory condition, due to circumstances which may change at any moment." The *Tribuna* adds that "there is thus necessity for military, economic, and diplomatic preparation on the part of the Government, and moral and political preparation on the part of the public." And we are told that, as far as the rest of the world is concerned, "the future decisions of Italy will be taken with a view to the absolute exclusion from Italian interests of outside influences and impractical idealisms." An "outside" view of the situation of both Italy and Rumania, which is also that of a Government organ, is expressed by the Paris *Temps* as follows: "In the European crisis-Rumania and Italy move along parallel lines which seem to be leading them toward similar destinations. By this is meant a personal co-operation to free those of their people who are still subject to the oppression of Austria-Hungary. The Russian victories in Galicia have deeply impressed public opinion in Rumania. The Government is pondering the risks of neutrality. . . . The Rumanian people, as they study the downfall of the Hapsburg Monarchy, show more plainly that they do not want it to be left to Russia alone to liberate the Rumanians of Transylvania as she did those of Bukovina. Yet while each new stage of the Russian advance holds a greater force to the impulse that is drawing Rumania into action, the manifestations of Italian opinion

are not lost sight of at Bucharest, and the Rumanian Government shows a marked tendency to model its attitude on that of the Italian Government." If French journals are keen to see Italy and Rumania make war, no less earnest is the wish of German observers that they remain neutral. We learn that in both countries German diplomacy is "exercising the greatest pressure" toward this end. From Bucharest the correspondent of the *Muenchener Neueste Nachrichten* writes with evident satisfaction that "the tactics of our new minister, Baron Bussche, have resulted in complete success. Rumania has decided to maintain her present neutrality." As for Italy, according to the *Berliner Tageblatt*, it is to her own best interest that she remain neutral, and this journal says: "We can not understand how any active party in Italy can desire to change the attitude of benevolent neutrality assumed by Italy into one of hostility toward Germany. Every Italian capable of reason, like each of and all of the Italian statesmen of the day, must see the value of a calm reserve on the part of his country and should restrain all agitation of whatever sort. When the time for concluding peace comes, Italy will find herself in a far better position by maintaining her present reserve. If passion does not obtain a victory over cold common sense, her gain at that moment will be most important. Italy will be the only great Power remaining neutral in Europe, and, if she can hold herself above the sordid clamor of her streets, she is destined above all others to bring about peace. That peace is still far off, but the wisdom of the Italian Government can secure its conclusion in Rome."

The sincerity of this statement becomes more emphatic when we remember that, according to authoritative German reports, Germany feels no resentment against Italy because she did not join with her and Austria in the war. For Italy to have done so, we are told, would practically have been "to commit suicide" because she is all sea-coast and almost the entire French fleet is in the Mediterranean. In Italy itself public opinion is reported as divided between fervent upholders of neutrality and those equally fervent for war. The Milan correspondent of the New York *Giornale Italiano* writes "with a sense of grief" that—"There is becoming manifest in the country an unmistakable tendency to abandon neutrality. Such a tendency, indeed, is growing more vigorous from day to day in an alarming manner, because it may strongly influence our Government, in which, as every one knows, several members favour a war against Austria. . . . The *Giornale d'Italia* (Rome) and the *Messenger* (Rome) openly demand that Italy enter the war at once. . . . The *Corriere della Sera* (Milan), after a series of articles gradually demonstrating the dangers of neutrality, now comes out with an article claiming that the moment has arrived for abandoning neutrality and participating in the conflict."

The Socialists, however, are for peace, though the editor of the Milan Socialist paper *Avanti* was forced to resign for endorsing this policy. The *Corriere Romano* thus states the Clerical position: "The great majority of the country supports and encourages the work of the Government with its unanimous consent and its full adherence, regarding with manifest aversion any attempt or initiative that tends to disturb or fatally compromise this enlightened and eminent-wise work."

The godowns belonging to the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co., Ltd., have been sold to Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co., soap manufacturers of London, Shanghai and Hongkong. The negotiations for the sale were conducted by Mr. F. W. White, estate broker.

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The annual dinner of the Kowloon Cricket Club will take place at the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday, February 13.

Twelve valuable opendendium plants, valued at \$100, are reported to have been stolen from a garden at 15 Connaught Road, West.

The chief engineer of the s.s. Panama, Mr. K. Shaw, reports to the Police that yesterday he had stolen from his cabin a silver watch valued at \$40.

H.E. the Governor will be present at Queen's College on Friday evening to witness the Chinese play by the students in aid of the Prince of Wales' Fund.

On the next issue of Indo-China stamps the denominations will be changed from francs and centimes to local currency. The change was advocated by the Indo-China Chamber of Commerce.

The Archdeacon of Hongkong will conduct a service on Sunday next at 11 a.m. in the British Church, Macao. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion, and visitors and residents are cordially invited.

Electric light now illuminates the road from Quarry Bay to Shaukiwan. Several of the shops have ordered installations from the new service and one of the first houses to be fitted out was the Police Station and quarters.

The three men arrested in connection with the armed robbery at Hung Shek Mun village, Shau Tau Kok were brought before Mr. Wood this morning and ordered back into the New Territory to be tried before the District Magistrate at Tai Po.

"The Telephone Belle," a burlesque on the exchange operators, was the chief item given by the Grottoesque at the Theatre Royal last night. It abounded in drollery and was an admirable finale to a first-rate programme. Lillian Grey was vociferously cheered after singing "Where My Caravan Has Rested," and Arthur Argent received a splendid ovation for "Glorious Devotion." The humorous element was cleverly sustained, and the whole was as enjoyable as ever.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE.

Orders by Major Wakeman, O.C.H.K.V.R.

The three Companies of the Reserve will in future be styled A, B and C instead of 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

A, B and C Companies will parade on the Cricket Ground on Friday, February 5th, at 5.15 p.m. Drill order.

On Sunday, February 7th, A, B and C Companies will parade on the Cricket Ground at 8 a.m. Dress Marching order. Water-bottles to be filled and food carried in the haversack. Members residing in Kowloon will fall in at the Kowloon Ferry Wharf at 8.30 a.m. and the Senior N.C.O. or Private will take the names of those present (care being taken to state initials and company). Members residing at Tai Po should arrange to join at Fanning. Signallers detailed for duty as such will not carry rifles. It will not be possible to leave over-coats at Fanning Station.

### SICK PARADES.

During the absence from the Colony of Capt. G. D. R. Black, from February 3rd, to 29th inclusive, Lieut. J. T. Smalley will attend at Volunteer Headquarters daily from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

### N.C.O.'s CLASS OF INSTRUCTION.

Those parades will in future be optional for Sergeants C. W. Deswick and W. Dodge, Corporals W. H. Prosser and G. C. Moxon, Lieut. Corpl. G. M. Smith, A. B. Blyson, W. E. Ford, N. L. Leefe, C. G. Eickling, J. Olson, J. A. Lyon, J. W. C. Bonnar, A. Lambdon, J. W. Deakin, and H. C. White. The C.O. trusts that all N.C.O.'s will continue to do everything in their power to increase their efficiency and this can best be done by their continuing to attend these classes whenever possible.

### MINUTE.

The attention of members is drawn to the Miniature Rifle Club of which Pte. A. G. Coppin is Hon. Secretary. Very little inconvenience can be obtained with the valuable experience and at small cost. Members are also reminded that two targets on the King's Park Range are available for practice, free of charge, every evening (Saturdays and Sundays excepted) from 4 p.m. onwards. The targets are always in attendance on the Range and ammunition can be purchased from Sergt. Major Higby.

### POSTINGS.

Pte. A. R. Lowe to Co. C. Sec. 3.  
Pte. S. Luck to Co. C. Sec. 3.  
Pte. A. B. McIntosh to Co. C. Engr. Sec.  
Pte. A. B. Ramsey to Co. C. Engr. Sec.

### 40TH PATRONS' SPORTS.

These sports have been cancelled. OFFICIALS' CLASS OF INSTRUCTION.

A Lecture on Battalion Drill will given on Tuesday, February 9th.

## THE COAL CARGO CASE.

In connection with this case at the Magistrate's office this afternoon, Mr. B. D. F. Beith, from the import office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., said he had seen the coal at No. 2 Police Station and was of opinion that it was similar to the Hongkong coal mentioned in bill of lading. The coal he inspected was sold at \$15 a ton. Jardine's had three tallies on board the ship, whose duty it was to examine the weights as the coal was delivered. They had no other duty but to get a receipt from the Chief Officer. It was not the duty of Jardine's to see that all the coal was delivered. The coal at the station should have been delivered into the consignee's lighters. The tallies had no right to refuse to take delivery of coal. Answering Mr. Lewis, witness said the bill of lading was for 3,800 tons and there was a shortage of 33 tons. He thought the average shortage on a coal cargo would be from one to one and a half per cent.

To what do you attribute this loss? Is it due to sweating of coal, loss on board and discharge? or does it not know the cause. The shortage of 33 tons on a cargo of 3,800 tons is considerably less than one per cent.—Yes.

The Magistrate said the whole case would turn upon a legal point. Mr. Dixon argued that because the Chief Officer was not convicted on the charge of larceny the prosecution could not succeed on a charge of receiving.

Mr. Hazeland said that as far as he could see the charge of receiving would drop. If defendants were to be committed, it would be on a charge of larceny.

Mr. Dixon thereupon put the first defendant in the box. On oath, he said the Chief Officer gave him instructions to clean out the ship quickly as a cargo was coming in the morning. Defendant was to get coal in exchange for the labour. In the hold he found a large quantity of coal including briquettes. He informed the Chief Officer, who said "Have every bit of it taken away." He employed 20 coolies. The first defendant added that during the night of the cleaning his coolies slept on deck. It was customary to receive "sweepings" as remuneration for cleaning the ship. He had never received any cash payment for cleaning.

The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ has been given a temporary local commission as Second Lieutenant, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Mr. A. D. Macdonald, of the Hongkong Tramway Company, left yesterday for Shanghai on a short visit for the benefit of his health.

H. E. Low Yuk Lin, late Chinese Minister to London, has been granted by the President three months' leave of absence "to visit his ancestral graveyard in his native district."

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

### SICK PARADES.

During the absence from the Colony of Surgeon Captain G. D. R. Black, from 3rd to 29th February inclusive, Surgeon Lieutenant J. T. Smalley will attend at Volunteer Headquarters daily from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

### JOINED.

The under-mentioned members having joined the Corps have been posted as follows:

Sapper F. Garcia to Engineer Company.  
Pte. F. A. Reis to Signalling Section.  
Pte. W. B. Wilkinson to Signalling Section.

### WEEKLY REPORTS.

O.C.s are reminded that the weekly statement is required at the orderly room not later than 5 p.m. to-morrow.

### OFFICERS' TRAINING LECTURES.

There will be no lecture to-morrow, 4th instant.

### PARADES.

Parades for Thursday, 4th instant: 5.15 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 2 Section Artillery and Left Section M.G. Co. 10 p.m. drill at Headquarters. Remainder, Skirmishing under Company Commanders.

### DETAILS.

Orderly Officer, Lieut. Rees.  
Orderly Sergeant, Sergt. Hall.  
To furnish Guard to-night, Right Section M.G. Co.; to-morrow, Scouts Company.

## STREET ACCIDENTS.

Several minor accidents are reported to have taken place yesterday. A Chinese, who was knocked down by a gaily in Shanghai Street, Yamat, was conveyed to the Kwong Wah Hospital, suffering from injuries to his legs.

Another Chinese aged 76 years, has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries he sustained on being knocked down by a motor car in Des Voeux Road Central.

Almost in the same spot, but later in the day, another Chinese was knocked down by a tram car and sent to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from various injuries.

## BEWARE OF COLDS.

CHILDREN are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that often contracted when a child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities are so anxious to get rid of the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## MILK PROSECUTIONS.

At the Magistrate's office this morning before Mr. Hazeland, the master of the Cheung Cheong ship, 7, Central Street, was prosecuted for delivering to a person a tin of skimmed milk when he asked for milk. He pleaded guilty and said the complainant had offered 25 cents for a tin of milk. The best milk was 30 cents and his (defendant's) sold gave him another tin of milk.

A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Tau Yuk Man, 14, Queen Victoria Street, was similarly charged and prosecuted on a second summons for selling milk from a tin which did not bear the label intimating it was unfit for children under one year.

Defendant, referring to the second charge, said there was a label on the wrapper.

The Crown Solicitor (Mr. F. M. Holman) prosecuting, said that was an admission of guilt; the Ordinance distinctly said the label should have been on the tin.

Regarding the other charge defendant said it was his folk's mistake.

The Crown Solicitor said the case was regarded as very serious. It was a serious thing for Chinese women buying milk for their children, and it was naturally bad for the children.

Defendant was fined \$10 on each charge.

## COMPANY REPORTS.

### UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

The report for presentation to the shareholders as the tenth ordinary annual meeting to be held at the Company's office on the 9th inst. is as follows:—

The General Managers have now the pleasure to submit their annual report and statement of the Company's accounts made up to 31st December, 1914.

The net profit for the year ended 31st December, 1914, after allowing for Contingencies and Auditor's fees, amounts to \$28,044.00.

The General Managers recommend the payment of a dividend of 10 per cent., which will absorb \$27,728.00, leaving \$316.00 from the value of the waterboats, \$800.00 of investments, \$400.00 from the value of pipes and staging, and carry forward a balance of \$9,325.00 to the new account.

Consulting Committee.—Since the last meeting Mr. C. A. Tones has resigned, and Mr. R. Shewan has joined the Committee.

Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin.

DODWELL & CO., LTD., General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1915.

### KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LIMITED.

The twenty-sixth report of the Board of Directors to the ordinary meeting of shareholders to be held at the Company's office on the 10th inst. is as follows:—

Gentlemen,—The Directors now submit to you a statement of the affairs of the Company, and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1914.

The balance of profit and loss account for the year including \$1,822.60 balance brought forward from last account, after writing off all charges and expenses, amounts to \$20,628.80. The Directors recommend that a dividend of \$3 per share be paid, which, after providing for Directors' and Auditor's fees, will leave a balance of \$2,078.80 to be carried forward to the credit of a new profit and loss account.

Messrs. T. F. Hough and J. Rodger the new retire by rotation, and offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. A. C. Hynes who now retires and offers himself for re-election.

T. F. Hough, Chairman.

Hongkong, 27th, January, 1915.

## OPIUM COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

The hearing of a petition by a number of shareholders of the Yue Hing Co., Ltd., a Hongkong opium firm, against the Chief Justice, Sir William Reeves Davies, K.C., in the Supreme Court to-day. Mr. Duncan McNeill, who with Mr. F. C. Jenkins represents the petitioners, who allege fraud and misconduct of the company's affairs on the part of certain of the directors who are opposing the petition, continued his opening address. His dealt with the petitioners' submission that no statutory meetings of the company were ever held and that no notices were ever sent to shareholders of such meetings. The respondents in documents filed by them contended that a meeting of the company was held in March, and that notice was given of it on a printed form, but Mr. McNeill submitted that no such meeting was ever held and that the notices of meeting which were referred to were not printed until the month of December, 1912, seven months after the date on which the statutory meeting is alleged by the respondents to have been held.

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## TRAINING NOTES.

There were only a few poms yesterday, all done on the inside track, which was fast. There was a slight breeze and the weather was very warm and muggy. The valley was fortunately quite clear of fog till after the morning's work was done. Maybey, a navy-cupper, put up a nice gallop, covering a mile in 2.14.3, last half 1.03.4, last quarter 32.

This morning also all the training was done on the inside track, the going being somewhat heavier than yesterday. The weather was again very warm, but not so close. There was no wind.

Sailor, a sub., best Third, a navy-cupper, over a mile and a half. They started slowly but the sub. finished up in 1.03.1, 32.3. Blackhill and Lochmaben went together over a mile and three-quarters, but the latter was hopelessly beaten, finishing badly lengths behind the chestnut. Thurston put up a nice gallop, beating Jossie Mighty by over a second after going a mile and a half. His last half was 1.03.1, and last quarter 32.2. Lucky Gem and Black Gem went together, and there was very little difference between them at the finish. Ideal Duhla beat Flame Pahlia by about three lengths after going a mile. Both finished tired. Saxon Chief had very little the better of New Zealand Chief over a mile and a quarter. Both finished strong; last half 1.07, last quarter 30.4. Ploughboy, a navy-cupper, badly beat Carstairs, a derby griffin, over the Derby distance. The difference between them was two seconds. The derby griffin finished badly.

The times taken will be found on page 3.

## BELGIUM'S FLIGHT.

7,000,000 in a Ring of Steel.

Mr. Herbert Hoover, chairman of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, B. London-wall-buildings, E.C., has lately returned from Brussels, and made the following statement:—

"It is difficult to describe, without appearing hysterical, the condition of the civil population of Belgium, where I have been for a week. I do not know this history presents any parallel of a population of 7,000,000 people surrounded by a ring of steel, and utterly unable by any conceivable effort of their own to save themselves."

"We are meeting with no obstruction from the German authorities in Belgium in the prosecution of our work. 'Not one loaf of bread or one spoonful of salt' that we have introduced has been taken by them, so far as we can ascertain. The most stringent orders have been given that we shall have no interference, and the members of the Commission meet with respect and assistance in all quarters."

"There are considerable quantities of vegetables available in certain districts. In some of the localities there is still a supply of cereals for two or three weeks, but in certain other localities there has been no bread available for over a fortnight. Practically every Belgian soul will be dependent upon the Commission for bread within thirty days."

"THE CLOCK HAS STOPPED."

"It is hard for those not connected with the work to comprehend the difficulties which we encounter in purely executive matters. The clock has absolutely stopped in Belgium; an industrial country, dependent on overseas trade, is now walled up, with 70 per cent. of the people idle. There are no telegraphs, telephones, railways, or post-offices, except for military purposes. The Belgians, of military necessity, are not allowed to pass from their own towns, and consequently there is no communication throughout the country, except by personal visits of our own members."

"The amount and character of the destitution may perhaps be appreciated from the present position in Brussels. Of a population of about 650,000 remaining in that city, an average of 228,000 were on the adult canteens and 21,000 babies on the baby canteens last week, or more than one-third of the total population. I can imagine nothing more pitiful than the long lines of mothers we saw, with children in their arms, waiting their turn at these canteens. In the industrial districts, where the people naturally had less stores in hand than at the capital, a much larger proportion is now on the communal canteens, amounting in some instances to over 60 per cent. of the whole population."

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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE	Capt. A. COLVIER	20th Feb.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via Suez, PANAMA	NAMUR	10 a.m.	Freight and Passage.
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SHANGHAI	LIANGCHOW	Feb. 7, Daylight.
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HAIPHONG	TAKSANG	THURSDAY, Feb. 4, at 8 a.m.
* SHANGHAI & KOBE	KUMSANG	SATURDAY, Feb. 6, Daylight.
* MANILA	TAISANG	SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 3 p.m.
* SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	FRIDAY, Feb. 12, at Noon.
* MANILA	LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, Feb. 13, at 3 p.m.
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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Lamsang, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. the 1st Feb., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1915.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND SAIGON.

THE Steamship Umta, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once at Consignee's risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board at noon after 3rd instant, will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

DAVID SARBOON & Co., Ltd.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1915.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "ANYO MARU."

FROM MEXICAN, PERUVIAN, and CHILIAN PORTS and JAPAN PORTS.

The above-named Steamer having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for consignment, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, at noon will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on MONDAY, 4th February, at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or in Godown, and examination of same to be held on THURSDAY, 11th February, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be filed on or before TUESDAY, 16th February, otherwise they will not be recognised.

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Hongkong, Feb. 1, 1915.

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## Other Vessels.

The E. & A. s.s. Athens left Sydney for this port (via Queensland Ports and Manila) on the 27th January, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 18th February.

## Latest Arrivals.

The M. Co.'s s.s. Chirish left the French Mail, is due to arrive here on Monday, the 8th February.

The s.s. Daphne from Leith, Middlesbrough, London, left Singapore on the 2nd February for this port, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 8th February.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Public are informed that Gold and Silver in coin or Bullion and Paper Money cannot be accepted for transmission through the Post without a permit issued by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

## Mails will close for:-

**SINGAPORE.**  
Per P.M.S. at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

**SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.**  
Per P.M.S. at 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

**HONGKONG & HAIPHONG.**  
Per P.M.S. at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

**HAIPHONG.**  
Per P.M.S. at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

**SWATOW.**  
Per P.M.S. at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, JAPAN VIA MANILA, VIETNAM, TACOMA & UNITED KINGDOM VIA CANADA.**  
Per P.M.S. at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

**SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & JAPAN VIA KOREA.**  
Per P.M.S. at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 4th Feb.

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## SHIPPING

## ARRIVALS.

Zeppelin, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, Swatow February 1, General.—DORLAND STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd.

Yuenyang, British str., 1,123, P. H. Rolfe, Manila January 30, General.—JANSEN, MATTHEW & CO., Ltd.

Albion, British str., 2,488, W. Dunbar, Chingwang Jan. 29, Coal.—DORLAND STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd.

Dunlop, Japanese steamer, 900, K. Murakami, Tamsui, via Amoy and Swatow Feb. 2, General.—O. S. K.

Glenfalloch, British str., 1,434, R. S. Bainbridge, Singapore Jan. 27, General.—CHINA.

Una, Japanese steamer, 1,390, S. Nakayama, Kobe January 24, General.—O. S. K.

Haiton, British steamer, 1,133, J. W. Evans, Foonchow, via Amoy and Swatow Feb. 2, General.—DORLAND STEAMSHIP CO., Ltd.

Ryudo Maru, Japanese str., 1,359, Y. Shimokawa, Daiton January 26, Coal.—M. B. K.

Chien Maru, Japanese str., 950, Oka, Haiphong Feb. 1, Coal.—O. S. K.

Taiyo Maru, Japanese str., 1,625, P. Fumoto, Daiton Jan. 23, Coal.—M. B. K.

Tokoku Maru, Japanese str., 1,905, Y. Minaki, Singapore and Haiphong February 2, General.—STUART & CO.

Phu Nung, British steamer, 1,022, H. Fishman, Haiphong February 1, Rice.—CHINA.

Deuwanter, British steamer, 1,047, C. W. Shawyer, Saigon Jan. 23, General.—CHINA.

## PASSENGERS.

Per P.M.S. from Swatow, Mr. Fear, Mr. Yuenyang, from Manila, Messrs White, McDonald, Colleyshaw, Hall and Deacken.

Per P.M.S. from Coast Ports, Mr. McLean, Mr. Miller.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Glenfalloch* from Swatow reports: Ship at anchor all day yesterday at Wagon. Dense fog, variable rain, fresh breeze at night.

The British steamer *Glenfalloch* from Singapore reports: Fine clear weather until arrival within 50 miles of Hongkong, when a light fog set in ship having to anchor for 18 hours.

The British steamer *Haiton* from Swatow reports: Light S.E. wind, smooth sea, cloudy sky, hazy weather.

**PASSENGERS EXPECTED.**  
Per P.M.S. & Co. steamer *Medina*, from London Jan. 24, Rev. M. P. Williams, Rev. T. P. C. Butcher, Miss G. Gordon, Mr. F. C. Kendall, Mr. E. H. Gordon, Rev. G. McCallan, Miss H. Sykes, Rev. H. G. Griffith, Miss Hopworth, Mrs. Perkins.

Per P.M.S. & Co. steamer *Medina*, from London Jan. 24, Mr. Robinson, Miss Croxley, Mr. H. B. White.

Per N.Y.K. s.s. *Suzuka Maru*, from London Jan. 24, Mr. D. Wood, Mr. J. O. Whitaker, Mr. A. Hanson, Mrs. Tucker, Dr. and Mrs. W. H. W. and Mr. U. Wood, Miss Horne, Miss Pocock, Miss Shiner, Miss Bleakley, Mrs. and Miss Reid, Mr. H. F. Bull, Mrs. E. A. Irving, Miss A. M. Ashham, Mr. G. S. B. Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Beck and child, Mr. E. F. Botwell, Mr. Lucas.

**Mails will close for:-**  
SWATOW, AMOY & FOONCHOW.  
Per P.M.S. at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the 9th Feb.

**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.**  
Per P.M.S. at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 9th Feb.

**STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT & EUROPE.**  
Per P.M.S. on Saturday, the 13th Feb. Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m. Registration 10.15 a.m. with late fee of 10 cents up to 10.30 a.m. Letters 11.00 a.m. Late Letters 10.00 a.m. to 11 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.

Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 12th Feb., at 5 p.m.

**Temperature.**  
Hongkong, February 3, 1915.

Barometer 9 A.M. 29.82  
Do 1 P.M. 29.80  
Do 4 P.M. 29.78  
Thermometer 9 A.M. 68.0  
Do 1 P.M. 72.0  
Do 4 P.M. 71.0  
Do (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 67.0  
Do (Wet bulb) 1 P.M. 70.0  
Do (Wet bulb) 4 P.M. 69.0  
Do Maximum (over night) 71.0  
Do Minimum (over night) 66.0

## To-day's Advertisements

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of February, 1915, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1914. The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 8th February, to SATURDAY, the 20th February, 1915, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
N. J. STARR,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 3, 1915. 103

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, to sell by Public Auction, on

## FRIDAY,

the 5th February, 1915, at 12 Noon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 3, Des Voeux Road, Corner of J. C. HOSE STREET.

"ASTOR HOUSE HOTEL" as she now lies off the P. & O. Steam Navigation Coy.'s Wharf.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers to the Government.

Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915. 104

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, to sell by Public Auction, on

## TUESDAY,

the 9th February, 1915, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 3, Des Voeux Road, Corner of J. C. HOSE STREET.

## A QUANTITY OF

VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, &c., as follows:—

Teak Upholstered Drawing Room Suites, Bedroom Furniture, Dining Room Furniture, Arm-chairs and Sofas, Carpets and Rugs, Brass and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Toilet Tables, Wardrobes, Washstands, &c., Sideboards, Dinner Wagons, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, etc., etc., Dinner and Dessert Services, Crockery, Glass and E.P. Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, etc., etc.

Also  
Blackwood Cabinets, 1 Large 4-fold Blackwood Screen (Porcelain Panels), and Blackwood Fire Screen, Stands, Tapestries, etc., etc.

Two Combination Safes, Remington Typewriters, Brass Fenders and Fire Brasses (new), and a few lots of Table Linen, &c., &c.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
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Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915. 102

## S. I. N. G.

Surgeon Dentist.

No. 14, D'ARCADE STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE

Consultation.

## THE 'CHINA MAIL'

## NOTICE.

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Correspondents must forward their names and addresses with any communication addressed to the Editor, not necessarily for publication but as evidence of good faith.

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Alterations and additions to advertisements on pages 2, 3, 6, and 7 should be sent to the Office, No. 5, Wyndham Street, not later than 11.30 a.m.

Alterations and additions to advertisements on pages 1, 4, 5 and 8 should be sent to us not later than 1 p.m.

New Advertisements should be sent in before 2 p.m.

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## TO LET

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No. 60, The Peak (3 Cameron Villas).

No. 62, The Peak. (No. 2 Cameron Villas). Furnished.

"BEACONSFIELD", Battery Path. "KIRKENDALL" furnished, No. 123 Plantation Road, Peak.

Small Bungalow adjoining "GLEN- SHIRE" Battery Road, Peak.

"ROGATE" Austin Road, Kowloon. From 1st February, 1915.

ROOMS, suitable for Offices on the First Floor of No. 3, Duddell Street.

No. 7, "MOUNTAIN VIEW", Peak. No. 2 DES VOEUX VILLAS, 51 Peak (unfurnished).

"ELANDONAN" No. 54 Mount Kellett Road 5 rooms unfurnished from 1st March.

No. 1 Nathan Road Kowloon (No. 1 Fairview) from 1st February.

Apply to  
LINSLEY & DAVIS.

Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915. 1027

## TO LET.

No. 6, "TORRES BUILDINGS".

No. 2, "ROSE TERRACE" (14 Nathan Road) Kowloon.

Apply to:-  
SPANISH DOMINICAN PROCUSSION.

Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915. 87

## TO LET.

COINSLAND WEST, Peak Road, recently renovated, furnished, moderate rent.

Apply to  
THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY LTD.

Hongkong, Nov. 13, 1914. 1193

## TO LET.

TWO LARGE UNFURNISHED ROOMS, with Verandah, on the Upper Level. Light and airy. Good view of the Harbour.

Apply  
Y. Y. Z.

c/o "CHINA MAIL" Office.

Hongkong, Jan. 6, 1915. 6

## TO LET.

QUEEN'S BUILDING.

TO LET the South West portion of the First Floor, including Treasury on Ground Floor, lately in occupation of the JERMAN BANK.

GODOWN, No. 9 Ice-House Street.

Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, Nov. 14, 1914. 38

## TO LET.

SMALL BUNGALOW, Barker Road, Peak, suitable for one or two Bachelors.

Apply "BUNGALOW" c/o "CHINA MAIL" Office.

Hongkong, Nov. 5, 1914. 1150

## TO LET—FURNISHED.

BISHOP'S LODGE NORTH, No. 12, THE PEAK. From 1st May next.

For further particulars, apply to:  
PALMER & TURNER, Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1915. 33

## TO LET.

168 The Peak. THE KENNELS.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, Oct. 8, 1914. 1074

## TO LET.

A HOUSE in Kowloon Terrace.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, Dec. 3, 1914. 126

## TO LET.

HOUSES in OLETON GARDENS

Conduit Road.

1 HILLSIDE, 110, The Peak.

GODOWN'S NEW PRAYS, Kennedy Town.

GODOWN'S at Wanhsai.

Apply,

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, Nov. 6, 1914. 940

## TO LET.

PLATS in HUMPHREYS BUILDING

110 and 112 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

SIX ROOMED HOUSE in Minden Row, Kowloon.

FOUR ROOMED HOUSES at Kowloon.

Apply to

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

Hongkong, Nov. 12, 1914.

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Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915.

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UNRIVALLED position in the Hill district overlooking the Botanical Gardens and facing the Harbour. Numerous quiet Suites with luxuriously fitted Bathrooms, Telphones and Electric Fans.

Telephones in Bedrooms and Sitting-rooms throughout.

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Cable Address, "Sachels".

A.B.C. Code 8th Ed.

Hongkong, September 1, 1908. 1204

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Central Location.

Electric Lifts, Fans and Lighting, European Baths and Sanitary Fittings, Hot and Cold Water System throughout.

Best of Food and Service.

Telephone 373.

Telegraphic Address.

"Victoria". FRANK L. COOKE, Manager.

## ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

## HONGKONG DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

## FEBRUARY 3, 1915—A.M.

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